



In Loving Memory of
Alice Ruth Monroe

Sunrise
November 20, 1934

Sunset
March 28, 2012

Service
Wednesday, April 4, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
276 West 151st Street • New York, NY

Father Lawrence Lucas, Officiating
James Wade, Organist

Obituary

Alice Ruth Monroe was born on November 20, 1934 in Americus Georgia, to Emma Warren and William Turner. She was the eldest of three siblings, one preceded her in death.

Alice and her family relocated to New York when she was eight years old. Alice attended public elementary and junior high schools, and attended and graduated from Commerce High School.

In 1953, she started her career with the New York Telephone Company. She moved up the ranks and went from supervisor to manager where she retired after thirty-seven years of service.

While living on 117th, she met and fell in love with Fred “Freddy” Monroe. On December 26, 1954 they were united in Holy Matrimony. Alice and Freddy moved to 268 West 153rd Street where this union produced two daughters, Patricia Levette and Alicia Desiree Davis. During their tenure on 153rd street they were acquainted with a set of friends who became life long partners. The saying, *“It Takes a Village To Raise A Child”* applies to the close knit friendships that were established on this block. Alice and Freddy were a part of this village and this village raised all the children in their circle.

In 1967, Alice and Freddy moved to Esplanade Gardens and met a host of new friends. The new friends and the old friends became an extended family.

Some of these friends followed Alice and Freddy when they moved to Esplanade Gardens keeping that friendship bond very tight.

After retiring from the Telephone Company, they relocated to Poinciana, Florida where they lived happily for eighteen years and met another set of loyal life time friends.

Alice and Freddy returned to New York to be closer to their family. Alice spent her days at the A. Phillip Randolph Senior Center enjoying various activities.

Alice enjoyed dancing, traveling, listening to music, fellowship, and spending time with family and friends. She was a devout Catholic and had a strong faith, and believed in God’s word, and the power of prayer. Her favorite saying was *“God is good in every way.”*

Preceding her in death was her husband, Fred Monroe of fifty-six years.

She leaves to cherish her memory: two daughters, Patricia Farley and Alicia Desiree Davis; three grandchildren, Tiffany Fountain, Thomas Davis, and Terrence Farley; sister, Debra Mensah; sister-in-law, Mary Jean Cooper; brother-in-law, Marvin Cooper; godson, Qadir Reed; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who will miss her dearly.

~ Lovingly Submitted, The Family ~

Order of Service

FUNERAL LITURGY

Gathering Hymn *“Shall We Gather At The River”*

Greeting

Processional Hymn *“Amazing Grace”*

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Wisdom 3: 1-6, 9
Mildred Dennis

Responsorial: *“Shepherd Me O God, Beyond My Wants,
Beyond My Fears, From Death Until Life”*

Scripture Reading Romans 8:31-35, 37-39
Jim Warren

Gospel Acclamation

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Homily Father Lawrence Lucas

General Intercessions

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn *“I Surrender All”*
Hyacinth Stevens

Communion Hymn *“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”*
Crystal V. Spivey - Briggs

Communion Meditation..... *“It Is Well With My Soul”*
Crystal V. Spivey - Briggs

Obituary Tina Miller

COMMENDATION

Recessional Hymn *“Blessed Assurance”*
Crystal V. Spivey - Briggs

Interment

Mount Rest Cemetery
Butler, New Jersey

Repast

Esplanade Gardens South Community Room

MISS ME - BUT LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I don't want no rites in a gloom filled room,

Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little-but not too long,

And not with your head bowed low.

Remember the love that we once shared,

Miss me-but let me go.

For this is a journey that we all must take,

And each must go alone.

It's all a part of the Master's plan,

A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart,

Go to the friends we know.

Laugh at the things we use to do

Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to thank everyone for there condolences
and best wishes during our time of bereavement.



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